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**SERIAL NO:** 10/007,585 **EXAMINER:** D. Hogans  
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**FOR: A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROTECTING MICRO  
ELECTROMECHANICAL SYSTEMS STRUCTURES  
DURING DICING OF A WAFER**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2003, the period of response having been extended one (1) month to October 6, 2003 by the concurrently petition for an extension of time, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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